

I am a retired radio broadcast executive (44 years)..and I agree "broadcasters using the public spectrum" should be subject to FCC rules and regulations. However satellite radio does not use the public spectrum...it is a private enterprise and users of satellite radio pay a fee to enjoy it's product. Let's keep the government out of satellite radio, and out of cable television, for that matter. These are not public owned, they are privately owned and should not be subject to the whines of the NAB/RAB. They paved the way for radio and TV to self destruct, and now that private enterprise is threatening their existence, they run to the government for help...let them bail themselves out! Their greed for profit and lack of vision and dollars being spent on good programming and decent talent has driven most educated persons away from the public spectrum and into satellite radio and cable TV. Let us alone! Let the NAB and RAB get together and cry in their beer with their big communiactions buddies like Infinity, Emmis, and especially Clear Channel! Twenty years ago when there was some control over the number of stations that could be owned, there was great diversity and competition. But with the \$\$\$ and lobbying of the NAB/RAB, those great years are gone.....let's don't ruin satellite radio and cable TV the way we managed to muck up the public airways of AM/FM/TV!

Thank you

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